

***McDaniel***  
***36929-010305***



***ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION***

***JANUARY 3, 2005  
9:00 A.M.***

***ROOM 159***

***AGENDA***

**Call to Order--Roll Call. (Council Member Wishneff was absent.)**

A communication from Mayor C. Nelson Harris requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**Approved (5-0) (Council Member Dowe was absent when the vote was recorded.)**

**File #110-132**

A communication from Council Member Alfred T. Dowe, Jr., Chair, City Council Personnel Committee, requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss the mid-year performance of three Council-Appointed Officers, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**Approved (5-0) (Council Member Dowe was absent when the vote was recorded.)**  
**File #132**

A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss disposition of publicly-owned property, where discussion in open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711 (A)(3), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**Approved (5-0) (Council Member Dowe was absent when the vote was recorded.)**  
**File #132**

Items listed on the 2:00 p.m. Council docket requiring discussion/ clarification, and additions/deletions to the 2:00 p.m. agenda. (15 minutes)

Topics for discussion by the Mayor and Members of Council. (30 minutes)

- Council Committee Assignments
- Items for discussion at the joint meeting of Council and the School Board on Monday, February 7, 2005, at 9:00 a.m.
- Items for discussion at the joint meeting of Council and the Architectural Review Board on Monday, February 7, 2005, at 12:00 p.m.

**Briefings:**

- Trolley Update – 30 minutes
- Fire Station No. 1 Update – 30 minutes

**THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED AT 2:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, FOURTH FLOOR, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**



***ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
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***CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER***

***AGENDA***

- 1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (Council Member Wishneff was absent.)**

The Invocation was delivered by Council Member Alfred T. Dowe, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor C. Nelson Harris.

Welcome. Mayor Harris.

**NOTICE:**

Today's Council meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, January 6, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, January 8, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE THURSDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.

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ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV](http://WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV), TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

### **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: NONE.**

### **3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approved (6-0)**

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- C-1        A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, January 18, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to consider amendment applications for two Enterprise Zones within the City of Roanoke.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.  
File #266**

- C-2        A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, January 18, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to consider the use of property rights in connection with the proposed pedestrian bridge at 204 Jefferson Street.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.  
File #102**

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.**

**5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: NONE.**

**6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

a.        CITY MANAGER:

**ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:**

1.        Appropriation of \$15,000.00 in State Department of Rehabilitative Services grant funds for the Fifth Planning District Commission Disability Services Board.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36929-010305. (6-0)  
File #60-72-326-353**

2. Acceptance of Western Virginia Workforce Development funds, in the amount of \$10,000.00, for the Western Virginia Market Communications Outreach Pilot program.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36930-010305 and Resolution No. 36931-010305. (6-0)**  
**File #60-72-236-246**

3. Acceptance of Workforce Investment Act funds, in the amount of \$582,591.00, for Program Year 2004 from the Western Virginia Workforce Development Board.

**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 36932-010305 and Resolution No. 36933-010305. (6-0)**  
**File #60-72-236-246**

4. Approval of a special policy to pay military reservists called to active duty between October 1, 2004 and September 30, 2005.

**Adopted Resolution No. 36934-010305. (6-0)**  
**File #184**

5. Amendment of paragraph 14 of Ordinance No. 36693-051304, adopted on May 13, 2004, to suspend the Architectural Review Board certification requirement until the Virginia Certified Architectural Review Program is established.

**Adopted Ordinance No. 36935-010305. (6-0)**  
**File #249**

b. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Financial report for the month of November 2004.

**Received and filed.**  
**File #10**

**7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.**

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**

**9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES  
AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.**

**10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor and Members of City Council.

**Council Member Cutler reported on the progress of the Smart Way transit program and advised that 1,616 passenger trips were made between the Roanoke Valley and the Town of Blacksburg from December 1 – 24, 2004, averaging over 100 passengers per day.**

**File #55**

**Council Member Cutler recognized the City of Roanoke and Hill Studios, recipients of one of the four Gabriella Page Historic Preservation Awards from the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities for restoration of the Bell Tower facade at Fire Station No. 1.**

**File #70-80-216**

**Vice-Mayor Fitzpatrick commended the Virginia Tech football team who will compete in the Sugar Bowl on January 3 at the New Orleans Superdome. He called attention to the close connection of the Roanoke Valley to colleges and universities in the region and the importance of understanding the economic impact and the role of the Roanoke Valley in continuing to establish good relationships with such colleges and universities.**

**File #80-258-388-450**

**Council Member Dowe congratulated the Roanoke Dazzle basketball team, the only team in the National Basketball Association Developmental League that has experienced an increase in attendance of between 25 – 30 per cent. He stated that the Roanoke community is to be commended for supporting the Roanoke Dazzle and is encouraged to continue its support of not only the Roanoke Dazzle, but all other sports entities throughout the community.**  
**File #80-388**

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

## **11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

**CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.**

**Mr. Robert Gravely, 727 29th Street, N. W., quoted Bible scripture. He expressed concern with regard to the use of City taxpayers' money to support private business and downtown Roanoke businesses, and insufficient wages for City employees.**  
**File #66-79-184**

## **12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:**

**The City Manager advised that the City's neighborhood leaf collection program was completed prior to December 31, 2004, and private contractors working on arterial streets will complete leaf collection within seven to ten days.**  
**File #144-514**



**The City Manager reported that for the month of December 2004, the City of Roanoke once again exceeded the required tonnage to receive free recycling, which saved the citizens of Roanoke \$10,384.00 for the month of December.**

**File #282**

**The City Manager called attention to two fire related deaths in the City of Roanoke on January 1, 2005, and another death by fire on January 3. She encouraged citizens to check their smoke detectors to ensure that they are in proper working order and advised that City residents may obtain a free smoke detector/batteries at any of the City's fire stations. She also encouraged citizens to take advantage of free chimney inspections and space heater and kerosene heater inspections that will be performed by request by the Fire Department. She asked that those persons who lost their lives by fire be remembered in prayer.**

**File #70**

**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (6-0)**

**Appointed Daniel E. Wooldridge as a Member of the Roanoke Civic Center Commission, for a term ending September 30, 2007.**

**File #15-110-192**

**THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS UNTIL THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2005, AT 8:30 A.M., AT THE HOTEL ROANOKE AND CONFERENCE CENTER, JEFFERSON BOARD ROOM, FOR THE CITY COUNCIL'S PLANNING RETREAT.**